

REPORT ON INFORMATION COLLECTED CONCERNING APPLICANT

Under section 60835 of title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, the Bureau of State Audits is responsible for collecting information concerning applicants for the Citizens Redistricting Commission that is needed by the Applicant Review Panel to perform its responsibilities. This is a report by Bureau staff in compliance with that responsibility.

Name of Applicant: Elaine W. Kuo.

Information: Bureau staff identified several academic books written by Applicant. Staff was unable to obtain copies or reviews of these books for analysis. Titles of her books include: "A New Roman World: Using Virtual Reality Technology as a Critical Teaching Tool;" "Apart and a Part: The Development of Individual and Group Identity of Asian American College Students;" "English as a Second Language: Program Approaches at Community Colleges;" and "Creating Beneficial Institutional Collaborations.".

Staff asked Applicant about not having disclosed any sources of income on her Form 700. Applicant responded that her household income is from her husband's job as a federal employee which is not required to be reported on the form..

Staff contacted Paula Zeszotarski, the author of one of the Applicant's letters of recommendation, to confirm the information provided in the letter and receive any additional information that may be relevant. Ms. Zeszotarski confirmed the information in the letter and added that Applicant gets along with all kinds of people, is very intelligent, good at engaging with other people, and has excellent analytical skills. Ms. Zeszotarski also stated that Applicant worked with many different kinds of people, including students (sometimes disgruntled or angry) and parents, in her position as an admissions counselor at Northwestern University..

Recommendation: None..

Name and title of person submitting response: Steven Benito Russo, Chief of Investigations.

Report Date: August 24, 2010.